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PUBLIC NOTICE NO. MT-15-23

April 27, 2015

PURPOSE OF PUBLIC NOTICE

The purpose of this notice is to state the Department's intention to issue a wastewater discharge permit to the facility listed in this notice. This permit is issued by the Department under the authority of 75-5-402, Montana Code Annotated (MCA) and the Administrative Rules of Montana 17.30.1001 et seq., Montana Ground Water Pollution Control System (MGWPCS). The Water Protection Bureau has prepared a draft permit for the facility listed below. Copies of the draft permit, fact sheet, and environmental assessment are available upon request from the Water Protection Bureau or on the Department's website www.deq.mt.gov

APPLICANT INFORMATION

APPLICANT: Countryside Estates County Water and Sewer District

FACILITY NAME: Countryside Estates Subdivision Wastewater Treatment System

FACILITY LOCATION: The proposed treatment and disposal site is 2 miles west of the city of Belgrade; and ½ mile south of the intersection of Countryside Lane and Amsterdam Road

RECEIVING WATER: Outfall 001 – Class I Ground Water

PERMIT NUMBER: MTX000177

A determination has been made by DEQ to issue a Montana Ground Water Pollution Control System (MGWPCS) permit, MTX000177, to Countryside Estates County Water and Sewer District for the Countryside Estates Subdivision Wastewater Treatment System. This permitting action reauthorizes discharge of treated domestic wastewater to ground water.

The existing facility serves as a centralized collection, treatment and disposal system for domestic wastewater generated by residents and businesses located within the subdivision. Each lot maintains an individual septic tank with a filter to remove floatable and settleable solids in the raw sewerage. The collected wastewater then undergoes level II nitrogen treatment in a community trickling filter system. DEQ recognizes that in comparison to a stand-alone conventional septic systems, the proposed treatment system may provide a higher level of treatment for nitrogen.

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The facility will use existing subsurface drainfield structures (Outfall 001) to discharge treated wastewater to underlying groundwater. The discharge structure is located: Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ of Northeast $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 09, Township 01 South, Range 04 East; 45.76519° North Latitude and -111.22889° West Longitude; Gallatin, County.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comments are invited ANYTIME PRIOR TO CLOSE OF BUSINESS May 27, 2015.

Comments may be directed to the DEQ Permitting & Compliance Division, Water Protection Bureau, P.O. Box 200901, Helena, MT 59620. All comments received or postmarked PRIOR TO CLOSE OF BUSINESS May 27, 2015 will be considered in the formulation of final determinations to be imposed on the permit. If you wish to comment electronically, you may e-mail DEQWPBPublicComments@mt.gov.

During the public comment period provided by the notice, the Department will accept requests for a public hearing. A request for a public hearing must be in writing and must state the nature of the issue proposed to be raised in the hearing (ARM 17.30.1024).

The Department will respond to all substantive comments and issue a final decision within sixty days of this notice or as soon as possible thereafter. Additional information may be obtained upon request by calling (406) 444-3080 or by writing to the aforementioned address. The complete administrative record, including permit application and other pertinent information, is maintained at the Water Protection Bureau office in Helena and is available for review during business hours.

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